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Remembering September 11

CDF Firefighters to Lower Flags – Moment of Silence

Sacramento- Firefighters with the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CDF) will lower flags to half staff at all CDF facilities on September 11, 2002 to honor those who perished one year ago. To remember the moment the first plane crashed into the World Trade Center, CDF firefighters will gather for a moment of silence at 8:46 a.m. Pacific Time. CDF will also participate in numerous ceremonies around California as local communities remember those who were lost.

"No one could take away the strong sense of kinship that is so much a part of the fire service. If anything the September 11 attacks made that even stronger," said Jim Wright, Chief of Fire Protection. "CDF firefighters went to ground zero to help with the rescue and recovery and those that didn't go were there in spirit. We will never forget."

Of those who were killed in the collapse of the World Trade Center 343 were firefighters.

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